

The Whole Truth

THE OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

"The law of truth was in his mouth and iniquity was not found in his mouth." MAL. 2:6. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." JOHN 8:32.

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ASU ON THE ROAD AGAIN!

The second half of the ASU rallies have begun. The miracle of 86 is fully underway and the saints everywhere are praying for success.

During the month of June, the Presiding Bishop and the task force traveled to 8 of 20 cities on the ASU rallies agenda. Thousands gathered to support and encourage the efforts of Bishop Patterson. Bishop Patterson has traveled every step of the strenuous schedule and preached at every rally, as he desires to make ASU a reality.

In support of him, the Area Chairman have worked to provide facilities and activities to make a total success of the effort. Bishop C. H. Brewer was chairman in area #1, which met in New Haven, Connecticut. In area #2, two general board members, Bishop F. D. Washington and Bishop L. R. Anderson served as co-chairmen. Area #3 was chaired by Bishop O. T. Jones, as he and the Commonwealth proved to be worthy hosts. The rally was conducted in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Area #4 was chaired by two more general board members, Bishop P. A. Brooks and Bishop C. L. Anderson served as co-chairmen. After a very good rally there, the task force traveled to Norfolk, Virginia and were welcomed by the Bishop Samuel Green. In Charlotte, North Carolina, the Bishop J. H. Sherman hosted the rally. Area #7 was located in beautiful Atlanta, Georgia. Bishop J. D. Husband provided a fine setting for the

rally to be conducted. Finally the task force got to #8, Orlando, Florida was the location and Bishop J. Cohen was the host bishop. In ten days the task force traveled to 8 cities and encountered thousands of well wishing saints.

Immediately after the UNAC, the second half of the area rallies started. Seattle, Washington was the first on the list and Memphis shall be the last. Each saint can become a charter founding member by presentation of a unit (\$100.00). It is imperative that your pastor have all the vital information placed on the ASU report form. The name should be printed or typed. All necessary information should be completed as requested. Your pastor's timely efficient handling of the report form will assure your inclusion on the charter founders roll.

If you are planning to attend a rally, what should you expect? The Florida rally was an excellent example the task force is looking for. About 4000 saints attended a well planned event, where the local jurisdictional bishops cooperated together. In Florida they took extra pride in the saints showing up. Bishop Cohen's jurisdiction had 12 buses loaded with saints. Bishop Kinsey closed his state UNAC meeting and brought his convention to the rally in Orlando. It was evident that much hard work and follow up was done.

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST/ALL SAINTS UNIVERSITY AREA RALLIES

AREA NINE July 14—Seattle, Washington

*Washington T. L. Westbrook/G. Young
Idaho N. Jones/Lossie Crear

AREA TEN July 15—Oakland, California

*California, N. Central G. R. Ross/P. Wilburn
California, NW C. Davis/M. McGlothen
California, N. 1st B. R. Stewart/E. M. Devers
California, Valley W. Wilson/A. Woods Folsom

AREA ELEVEN July 16—Los Angeles, California

*California, S. 1st C. E. Blake/L. Morris
California, Evangel E. E. Cleveland/D. Curry
California, S. 2nd G. D. McKinney/E. Nash
California, SW B. R. Benbow/M. Jones
California, Metro B. J. Crouch/G. Houston
Hawaii, 1st J. O. Patterson
Hawaii, 2nd W. H. Reed/M. Mathes

AREA TWELVE July 17—Las Vegas, Nevada

*Utah N. Jones/D. Griffin
Nevada E. N. Webb/S. A. Porter
Arizona F. King/W. Randall
New Mexico W. C. Griffin/S. E. Jeffery
Colorado F. Johnson/L. O. Wells

AREA THIRTEEN July 21—Milwaukee, Wisconsin

*Iowa H. Bassett/R. Robinson
Wisconsin, NW P. J. Henderson/A. LaValley
Wisconsin, 1st SE D. Flakes/V. Hudson
Wisconsin, 3rd J. C. Williams/A. Scott
Minnesota S. Frazier/D. Foster
So. Dakota C. Roberson/A. Carmack
No. Dakota

AREA FOURTEEN July 22—Chicago, Illinois

*Illinois, 1st L. H. Ford/C. Cantrell
Illinois, N I. Roberts/E. Cook
Illinois, 5th B. Goodwin/P. Cross
Illinois, Southern J. I. Cobb/L. Cawthorn
Illinois, Central T. T. Rose/M. B. Farlow
Illinois, 6th W. H. Bonner/N. Lewis
Indiana, North W. Blakely/B. Hackett
Indiana, South O. Freeman/L. M. Sanders

AREA FIFTEEN July 23—Kansas City, Kansas

*Kansas, East W. H. McDonald/R. Thuston
Kansas, Central I. B. Brown/V. M. Agnew
Kansas, SW J. C. Gilkey/M. C. Walker
Missouri, West E. H. Moore/E. Odom
Wyoming A. W. Martin/D. Brown
Nebraska E. M. Bradford/L. Price
Nebraska, N.E. B. T. McDaniels/B. Wright

AREA SIXTEEN July 24—St. Louis, Missouri

*Missouri, E. 1st R. J. Ward/T. Bolden
Missouri, E. 2nd W. W. Saunders/St. Carrie
Dinwiddie
Illinois, SE L. Moore/E. Scott

AREA SEVENTEEN July 29—Dallas, Texas

*Texas, NE J. N. Haynes/E. Barron
Texas, NW W. H. Watson/V. Mackey
Texas, SE, 3rd R. E. Ranger/R. Smith
Texas, East J. E. Lee/J. M. Macklin
Oklahoma, SE W. E. Jeffries/B. L. Lang
Oklahoma, NW J. A. Young/R. Prather

AREA EIGHTEEN July 30—Houston, Texas

*Texas, SE 1st R. E. Woodard/Victoria Barnes
Texas, SW T. D. Iglehart/E. M. Crouch
Texas, S. Central N. H. Henderson/E. Law
Texas, SE 2nd M. G. Grady/B. Morrow

AREA NINETEEN July 31—New Orleans, Louisiana

*Louisiana, East W. K. Gordon/T. Harper
Louisiana, West R. H. Winbush/L. Bryant
Mississippi So. 1st T. T. Davis/R. V. McAdory
Mississippi, So. 2nd E. McDowell/R. Harris

AREA TWENTY August 1—Memphis, Tennessee

*Mississippi, N T. T. Scott/I. Harris
Arkansas, 1st L. T. Walker/W. E. Jennings
Arkansas, 2nd D. L. Lindsay/E. McGhee
Kentucky, 1st A. T. Moore/J. Wright
Kentucky, 2nd M. J. Sykes/M. Bell
Headquarters F. D. Macklin/Freddie J. Bell
Tennessee, Central W. L. Porter/Z. Spight

*Denotes Area Chairman

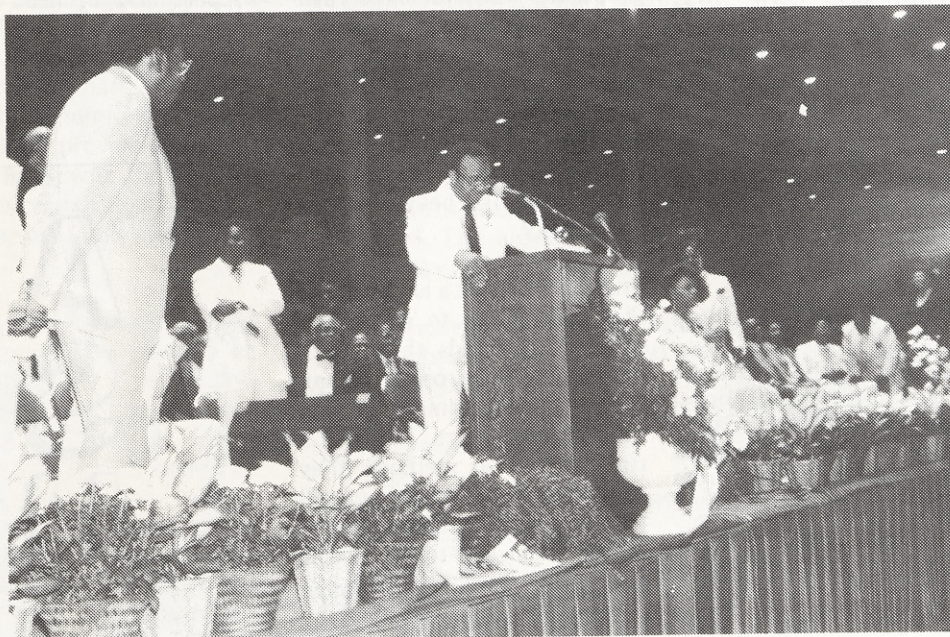
UNAC-5 HOUSTON — YEAH LORD!

For your information, the saints had a wonderful time in Houston, Texas. The city and the jurisdictional bishops made the entire delegation of saints feel good about everything. The meeting was a success and featured preaching, seminars and fellowship among the people of God.

The convention began Monday night with a musical. The Elder Felton Smith presided over what possibly was the greatest musical ever. The talent was excellent and the spirit of God was in evidence, as all attendees were blessed. Dr. Mattie Clark and staff must be commended for their tireless effort in providing spiritual and quality music for the services.

The next day Evangelist Dorinda Clark-Cole delivered a message. This very capable missionary who is famous for being part of the Clark Sisters, demonstrated another God given gift. Her message was youth oriented, but found broad appeal and general acceptance among the delegation. Her message was a call to holiness and was accented with an upbeat title: "The Holy Ghost is a Ghost Buster!" That evening at the Sam Houston Coliseum, Elder Robert Woodard, Jr., presided. It was civic night and many of Houston's movers and shakers officially welcomed the saints. That night Bishop N. W. Watson of Texas Northwest preached a great message. Before the mes-

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Bishop Roy L. H. Winbush preached his Official Message Friday night.

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GUEST EDITORIAL PREACHER by Dr. Charles Smith

Preachers should be the happiest people in the world. This may surprise those who equate ministers with long faces and longer sermons, but preachers know where to find the laughs in life.

I contribute the following factors to this happy life-situation of the preachers. (1) They are sure of their calling. (2) They lead the pack in knowing the will of God. (3) They spread good news in a culture gone bad.

Unlike other professionals, and even persons in the church who may be able, from time to time, to shelve their abilities, the preacher's calling goes on display frequently and publicly. He exercises his gifts for the few and the many all day Sunday, and between Sundays when he counsels, teaches and sets the example for the community.

While it is true that from time to time you meet ministers who attempt to tiptoe through life like hot-air balloons at a porcupine convention, pound for pound preachers are the most contented people in the kingdom.

Most preachers like one another. Regardless of the competition between them, which sometimes is highly exaggerated, I have discovered that preachers trust each other and would rather be around other preachers than anybody else.

Preachers love people too. Although literature on ministerial burnout has scared a lot of preachers, it is my opinion that the majority of preachers, while overworked, are not seeking any ways to get out of the minister. Matter of fact, they are the hardest people to voluntarily retire from their jobs, and the most difficult to fire.

Often they unselfishly make themselves available to people. Check out the person who hardly gets along with anyone in the church, or in the neighborhood, and you will usually find some preacher who visits them, prays for them, and calls them "friend."

Preachers work to make their communities better. You hardly have to worry about the preacher burning down the local high school. Wherever the preacher resides, you know that he stands for what is right, and for what is best in his community.

Preachers do talk a lot, but then they have a lot to say. They shake more hands than politicians, hug more persons than relatives, and kiss more children than grandmothers. There is a reason for their methods: they will do, almost, anything legal to reach people. Sometimes it makes them sad to see people with so little when they know they could have so much.

Preachers are the most accountable persons in their commun-

ity. First, and foremost, they are accountable to God. They cannot change that, and no one else is allowed to. They are also accountable to every member of their congregation: each member feels that the pastor is personally responsible to him/her. In no other profession is there anyone so accountable to so many for so much, yet receives so little.

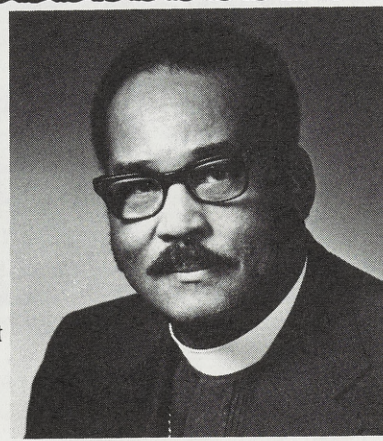
Preachers are happiest when they are preaching. Every sermon has the same three parts: hard work, loneliness, and ecstasy.

Part one is the hard work. Some folk think that just because a preacher has been preaching for 10 years, he can just get up on a moments notice, without any prior preparation, open his mouth, and preach like Paul. Not so. It sometimes takes an hour of preparation for every five minutes of pulpit time.

Part two is the loneliness. There is no loneliness quite comparative to that of the pulpit. No matter how well the sermon has been researched or prepared; or how long the prayer sessions have been, they are beyond human help once they stand up to preach. If God does not grant them grace and a clear mind, they will fall flat on their face. No small wonder, Jesus says, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; He has anointed me to preach...."

Part three is the ecstasy. The ecstasy unfolds during and immediately after the sermon. No person is more alive than preachers, at their best, preaching a sermon. Every sense is alert: heart pounding, mind clear, brain racing from thought to thought, from word to word, from experience to experience, weaving an incredible garment of truth that awes, startles, inspires, convicts and condemns some hearers, while angering others.

Somewhere in this world, God has a special preacher for you and your family. He probably pastors the church where you attend. He is worthy of your support and in need of your prayers.



Bishop J. O. Patterson
Presiding Bishop
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Dear Saints:

The Lord has been sufficient in every aspect of his promise to bless the righteous. We are indeed his people, whom he loves generously and faithfully, therefore I ask you to praise him evermore. It is with joy in my heart that I communicate with you and encourage you to love one another.

God blessed the saints at UNAC in Houston and how we must turn back to the business of ASU. Surely you are aware that the ASU rallies have again commenced? Every credential and noncredential holder has been asked to contribute a certain number of units during the rallies. In the past month thousands of you have given. The 8 rallies completed last month were beautiful to behold. The Area Chairmen and the many jurisdictions responded well and were hospitable in every way.

Now that the second set of rallies have started, let us all consider our responsibilities and give those units. Paul told the church at Corinth, "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." Now is the time for each of us to face the challenge of stewardship and be accountable to the needs of our developing church. ASU is necessary for our continued progress as an organization combating sin, while educating and training youth for the future.

Hope to see each of you at the rallies. Pray for our success, as we are in this effort together. Remember, build ASU now!

Your Chief-Servant,

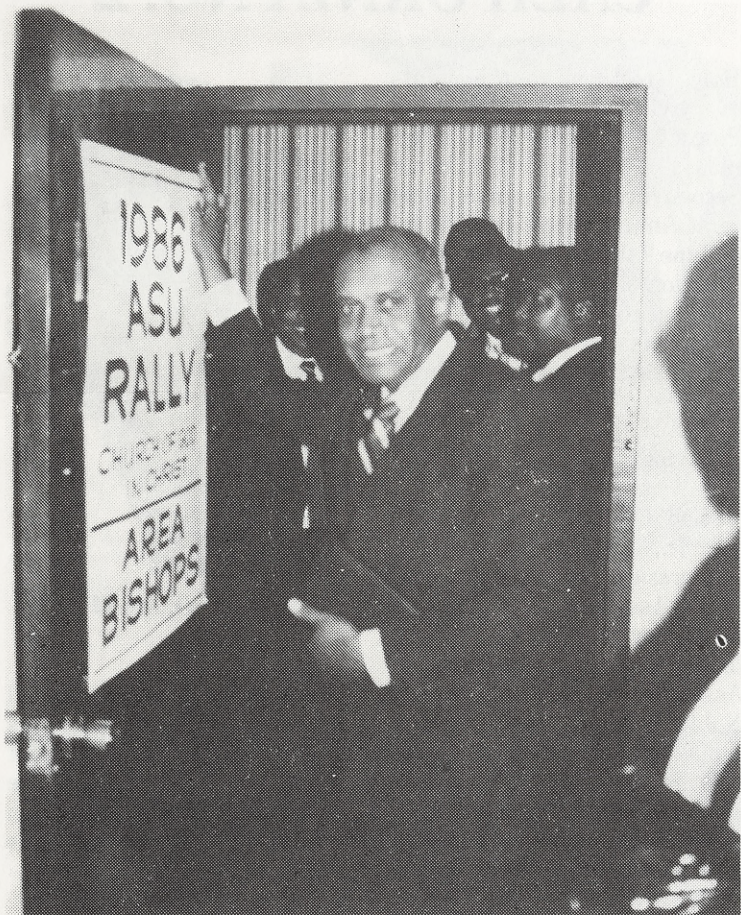
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ALL SAINTS UNIVERSITY

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NATIONAL NEWS



Pictured above is Bishop O. T. Jones, who served as an Area Chairman for the recent ASU rally. On June 13, 1986, the city of Philadelphia and the saints of the Commonwealth Jurisdiction played host to other jurisdictions, while promoting ASU. Bishop is entering the bishop's quarters and posing for the Whole truth camera.

PENTECOSTAL MOVEMENT



Join in with the Pentecostal restoration and maintenance of the above House on Bonnie Brae. The place in which the Holy Ghost was first manifested here in America. This revival was conducted by William J. Seymour.

The 1906 first Holy Ghost revival took place in this house. This revival was later relocated at the Azusa Street Mission.

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Pentecostal Heritage, Inc., was organized in 1983, as a non-profit religious organization. The organization purchased this House located at 216 No. Bonnie Brae in Los Angeles, CA 90026.

The purposes of this organization are to restore this property and to make it into a Pentecostal Monument.

Pentecostal Heritage's goal is to keep alive the memory of the

first Holy Ghost revival which took place in 1906.

It was at this location that our late founding Father of the Church of God in Christ, Bishop Charles H. Mason, received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Pentecostal Heritage, Inc., is comprised of an interdenominational group of Pentecostal believers.

The following members of the Church of God in Christ are among the Directors and Officers of Pentecostal Heritage, Inc.:

Bishop Benjamin J. Crouch
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Art E. Glass
Evelyn Arzu
Elder A. A. Kelly
Elder Edgar B. Barnett
Elder Charles B. Mayfield
John H. Phillips
Elder Aaron Howard
Elder Arelious Walker
Elder Charlie Taylor
Elder Noble Henson

BISHOP BROOKS HONORED



Bishop P. A. Brooks, Mayor Coleman Young and Michigan Governor James Blanchard. (Photo by Richard Lee, Copyright-Detroit Free Press.)

by
Eld. C. E. Hawthorne

A recent surprise visit by Michigan Governor James Blanchard and Detroit Mayor Coleman Young to New St. Paul Tabernacle COGIC, pastored by Bishop P. A. Brooks, made the front page of the Detroit Free Press which is one of the city's leading newspapers.

The unannounced and unexpected visit by the two government officials came on Sunday, April 27, 1986, during the morning worship service. It just so happened to be the Sunday that Bishop Brooks was being honored for 33 years in the ministry. That next morning, the Free Press featured a lead article on the event, highlighted by a FULL COLORED PICTURE of the Bishop, Mayor, and Governor!

What was so incredible about the whole thing was that Bishop Brooks was not even aware that a news reporter or news photographer were present at the service. When the article came out, he didn't even know it, until members of his church and others notified him of it. His response was, understandably, one of pleasant surprise.

Very few ministers get their picture on the front page of a big city newspaper. Unless, of course, it's related to something negative or scandalous. In this case, the article was positive. Although it focused on the remarks of Mayor Young and Governor Blanchard regarding Detroit's economic comeback role, it DID provide excellent publicity for New St. Paul Tabernacle as a church that has kept "the flame of human spirit alive and well."

There is no way that Bishop Brooks could have planned or even bought such "million dollar" publicity. The Detroit branch of the NAACP, which held their 37th Annual Fight For Freedom Dinner that night, received no such publicity, even though thousands (8,500) were in attendance at Detroit's Cobo Hall to hear Congressman Harold Gray, head of the House Appropriations Committee. This caused some to call and ask

Bishop how he managed to pull off the front page coverage. It was, of course, a blessing from the Lord!

While the enviable, prime press coverage may be seen as a personal plus for Bishop Brooks, he sees it as a crowning event for the overall Church of God in Christ, which is increasingly emerging as an authentic religious body in the eyes of the public.

Needless to say, positive press coverage makes for good public relations, which can serve to extend the influence of the church. Bishop Brooks acknowledged that Sunday morning church attendance increased after the appearance of the article. But, he reports a greater blessing.

Also in attendance at that Sunday morning service were Mich-

igan Supreme Court Justice Dennis Archer, State Senator Jackie Vaughn, Wayne County Commissioner Bernard Kilpatrick, Judge Rufus Griffin, and Mayoral Aide Conrad Mallett, Jr.

Among these and other officials, was a judge who was so impressed by the morning service that he cancelled plans to attend the NAACP dinner and returned to New St. Paul's afternoon service. After Bishop Benjamin preached, this judge responded to the altar call and was saved! Bishop Brooks took him into the church same day. It was a very spiritual, emotional, and heart-warming experience. The salvation and addition of a soul is worth more than any front page news coverage by any major newspaper!

GENERAL SECRETARY

Dear Fellow-Laborers:

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

This communication comes to inform you that the Office of Chairman of the General Assembly is now vacant; the term of our recent Chairman having expired as of May, 1986.

In order to fill this high office, an election will be held in the forthcoming November meeting. The General Board, in compliance with the Constitution of the Church of God in Christ which permits it to act for the General Assembly when not in session, did adopt the same policy for the election of Chairman of the General Assembly used in the last general election. The incumbent's name will automatically be placed on the ballot unless he declines in writing prior to the printing of the ballot. All other candidates must qualify by presenting to the General Secretary a qualifying petition signed by at least 100 pastors or ordained elders not later than September 30, 1986. The election will be done by voting machines on Monday, November 10, 1986.

Again, those who wish to qualify for the election, do not fail to obtain at least 100 signatures of pastors or ordained elders and submit same to the Office of General Secretary, with a copy to the Presiding Bishop, no later than September 30, 1986.

God's choice benedictions and blessings be with you is our prayer.

Yours truly,

Bishop G. R. Ross
General Secretary
Church of God in Christ, Inc.

UNAC-5 11TH ANNUAL BANQUET



Contest coordinators, Sis. Gatlin, Elder Massey, and award winners, Rudolph, Lymon and Holly.

The Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown Houston, Texas was the site of the 11th Annual UNAC-5 Banquet. The chairman, Bishop Roy L. H. Winbush served as official host along with the five department heads. The Elder Otis T. Massey served as toastmaster and conducted an agenda which brought forth some of the best our church has to offer. Not only was the splendid Imperial Room crowded with saints but youth witnessed the rewards of hard labor, as their peers demonstrated their talents.

The main activity was the oratory contest. The contestants had spent the four previous days in hot competition against one another. Each of them were attempting to win one of three sizable financial scholarships. The 1986 oratorical finalists were six of the most beautiful young people one could ever imagine. They ranged in personality, gifts and goals. The six finalists were Ralph Holly of Atlanta, Georgia who attends Clark College and majors in math, Caryn Lymon of Maywood, Illinois who attends the University of Illinois and majors in Social Work, Cassandra McDaniel of Waterbury, Connecticut who attends Northeast University and majors in Biology, Robert Rudolph of Malvern, Arkansas who attends Henderson St., and majors in Public Administration and Pre Law, Kay Swindell of Hitchcock,

Texas who attends the University of Houston, and majors in Business Administration, and last but not least, Gwendolyn Walter of San Antonio, Texas who attends the University of Texas and majors in Technical Education. These six finalists worked their way through a competition of fifteen candidates.

Elder Massey presented them as a group and then the three winning finalists. The winners were as follows: 3rd place winner was Caryn Lymon. Miss Lymon was awarded \$1000.00. 2nd place winner was Ralph Holly and took an award of \$1500.00. 1st place winner was Robert Rudolph. Mr. Rudolph won \$2500.00. Each of the recipients presented their winning statements to the large gathering. Bishop Roy L. H. Winbush said, "It is for youth like these we desire to build ASU."

The finalists spoke briefly with the Whole Truth and reflected their immediate feelings. Caryn Lymon said, "I feel great relief. I am so very happy!" Ralph Holly stated, "I feel great! I came here with a purpose and God blessed me to accomplish it." The winner, Robert Rudolph commented, "I'm grateful to God and the committee for selecting me. This is another step toward my goals in life."

Elder Massey informed the Whole Truth, the competition

was close and most participants were outstanding. He hopes for even greater competition next year. He commended the judges on their meticulous work. The judges were as follows, Mrs. Mae C. Winbush, Miss Audrey Moody, Miss LaBarbara Whitehead, Mr. Harold Miller, Mr. Fred C. Perkins and Mrs. Vanessa Gatlin.

Miss UNAC 1986 was presented during the banquet. National pageant director, Sister Gloria Smith introduced the very pretty lady. Miss UNAC 1986 is Miss Karen P. McNair of Virginia #2. She demonstrated well all the poise and grace of a lovely lady. The runner up in the competition was Miss Betty Branch of Illinois 1st Jurisdiction.

Special recognition was given to a new UNAC activity, the National Spelling Bee Competition. Miss Cynthia Harris serves as National Coordinator of the contest. She introduced the first ever winners. In the primary section was Trila Cleveland. Trila received a prize of \$25.00. In the teen competition, 1st place went to Lisa Miller and she received a \$100.00 prize. Kendra Turner took 2nd place and Kwane Eagleton placed 3rd. Everyone received a trophy.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Gala May Festival

The First Annual May Festival and Awards Banquet of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Jurisdiction was held Saturday, May 17, 1986, at 6:00 p.m., at the new Sheraton Convention Center, Valley Forge, Pa. The affair was an overwhelming success; over 800 saints and guests attended this gala affair. The Christ-like atmosphere and fellowship were wonderful and the food was simply delicious.

Mother Irene A. Oakley served as director, ably assisted by the Steering Committee. Elder Nathaniel Porter, Pastor of

Memorial Church of God in Christ, Haverford, Pa., served as toastmaster for the affair. Our illustrious Bishop O. T. Jones, Jr., greeted each award recipient called to the platform. District Superintendents, District Missionaries, as well as many lay persons were 1986 award recipients. In addition, special officials, including Bishop O. T. Jones, Jr., and Queen Mother Neanza Jones (wife of our late Bishop O. T. Jones, Sr.) were recipients of special awards. Dr. Regina Jones (wife of Bishop O. T. Jones, Jr.) was crowned festival queen.

Heavenly melodies of a pleasing variety permeated the huge room of the beautiful Sheraton Convention Center, ranging from hymn, to gospel, contemporary, and classical selections; something to whet everyone's musical appetite. The opening hymn, "How Firm A Foundation," was sung by everyone. Gospel music was rendered by the Pennsylvania State Choir, directed by Sister Kitty Parham and Brother Harold Thompson. Maestro Daren Miller thrilled the audience by playing Brahms' Rhapsody, Opus 79. Gospel and

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA NO. 2

Holy Greetings to the saints everywhere from "America's Finest City," San Diego, California. The Southern California Second Jurisdiction convened its First Annual Holy Convocation on June 9 through June 15, 1986. Locations for this historic convocation took place at Jurisdictional Headquarters, St. Stephen's Church of God in Christ for the day sessions and the El Cortez Hotel in downtown San Diego for the evening sessions.

Bishop George Dallas McKinney, Jr., our Jurisdictional Prelate presided. First Administrative Assistant to Bishop McKinney is Bishop Nathaniel Jones, Second Administrative Assistant is Superintendent Noble Henson, and Jurisdictional Supervisor of the Women's Department is Mother Elizabeth Nash. Theme for the convocation was "The Church's Mandate: Stewardship of the Word, Wealth and World" Isa. 61:1-3; Luke 4:18; Eph. 6:1-10.

Monday evening commenced this most historic event with a musical of our jurisdictional choir, featured choirs, groups, soloists and musicians as the St. Stephen's Church of God in Christ sanctuary was filled to capacity. The saints were blessed in the Ministry of Music under the direction of Minister of Music, Dr. Harold Dixon.

The Day Institute and Training Sessions convened on Tuesday, June 10 through Wednesday June 11, both morning and afternoon. The following subjects were covered by competent instructors: Recovering Family Life; Parents Empowered for Educational Change; Demonology and Anthropology; The Church, The Gospel and the IRS; Real Estate Hints Made Easy; Health and Preventative Medicine; Becoming One: Family Finance; Efficient, Effective Leadership for the 80's; Signs of the Time: Political and International Implications; The Steward with the Ten Talents; The Churches Responsibility to the Educational System; The Ministry Gifts; and Organization and Management of Pre and Elementary Schools. Both the morning and afternoon sessions were well attended by the saints with enthusiasm.

Tuesday evening was a special blessing to the saints as they witnessed a landmark during the convocation, Deacons of every local church in the jurisdiction were licensed to the Deaconate. This ceremony was a most sacred occasion as 45 Deacons uniformed in dark blue blazers, gray dress slacks and bright red ties and white shirts stood with their wives while being consecrated by our Jurisdictional Bishop and given the scriptural charge of the "Office Of A Deacon." The evening message was brought by Christian Communication Network President, Rev. Jerry Bernard of San Diego. Rev. Bernard blessed our hearts as he spoke from the subject, "Knowing Who We Are In Christ."



BISHOP G. D. McKINNEY

Wednesday evening presented another evening of inspiration as Bishop Ivar Rowe, Bishop of Jamaica preached under the anointing as every listener was inspired by Bishop Rowe's message.

Thursday morning, June 12, the Women's Department of the jurisdiction was in charge with our Supervisor, Mother Elizabeth Nash presiding. The Women's Day of the Holy Convocation convened at 9:00 a.m., with "100 Women in White" praying on their knees. Mother Nash inspired and encouraged the women under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. On Thursday evening the women of the jurisdiction were adorned in pink, and special guest speaker was Mother Marjorie Conedy of the First Jurisdiction of Southern California.

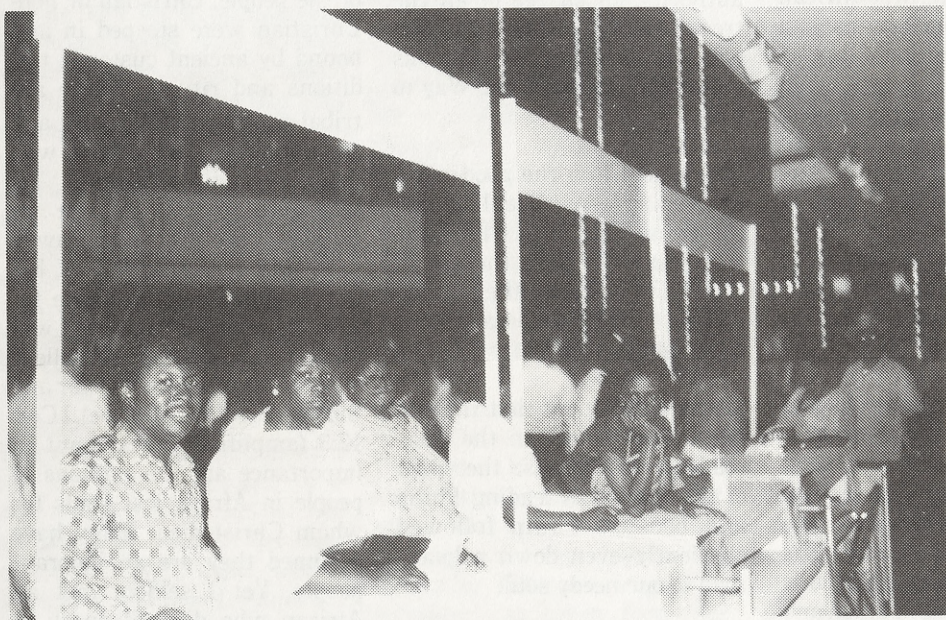
Friday evening stirred every believer in attendance as Bishop Nathaniel Jones delivered the main message preaching with Holy Ghost power as souls came to the altar for spiritual renewal and salvation.

Saturday evening, 16 Licensed Ministers were ordained in the gospel ministry and given their charge by our Bishop. Each newly Ordained Elder was prayed for by the laying on of hands as their wives stood by their side for the prayer of consecration. The ordination message was preached by Superintendent Frank Smith of Dallas, Texas.

The Sunday Afternoon Official Day Service was a spiritually uplifting climax to the occasion as more than 1500 worshipers participated in that afternoon of great spiritual celebration. The ecclesiastical procession led by our Prelate, Administrative Assistants, and Executive Board was followed by the Pastors, Elders and Ministers of the jurisdiction as they entered the place of worship with the jurisdictional choir and congregation singing "I Am Thine, O Lord." Everyone in attendance listened attentively as our Bishop delivered the official message. Bishop McKinney's text was, St. John 3:16, his subject, "God Has Not Forsaken the City." Hearts were uplifted, our spirits were stirred, and our souls were tremendously fed as our Bishop

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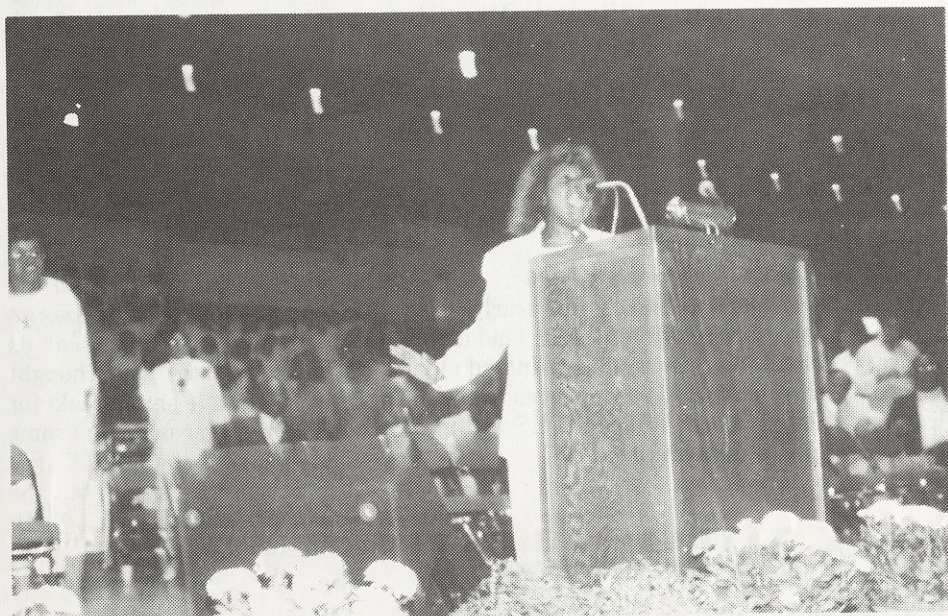
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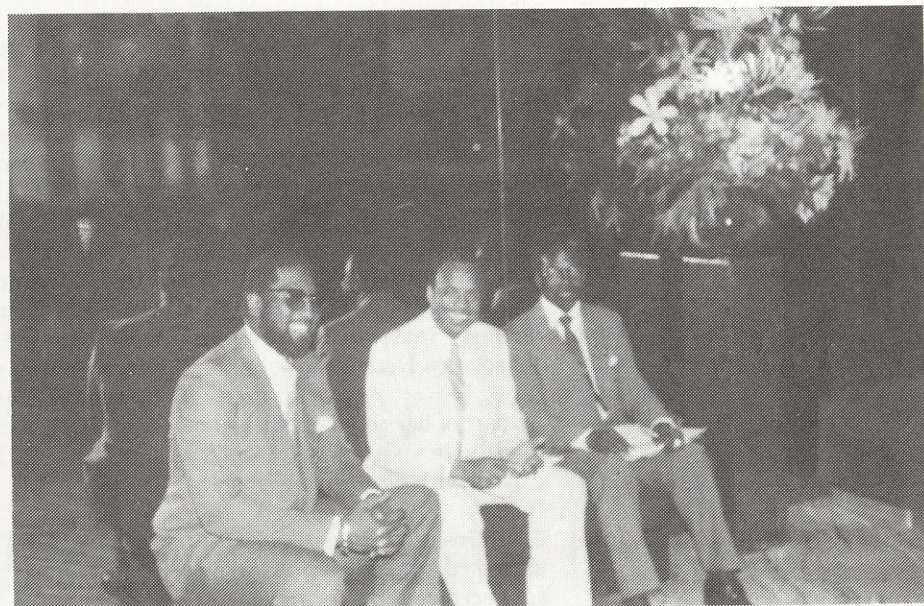
Saints line up at UNAC registration desk.



Worship was filled to capacity daily.



Sister Angela Bennett sings, "I Am Encouraged" and lifted the saints.



A moment of laughter by Bro. Bill Williams; UNAC Chairman, Bishop Winbush and Bishop G. R. Ross.



Elder Charles Brown teaches a special youth seminar. Both youth and adults enjoyed the session.

MAY FESTIVAL

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contemporary music was rendered throughout the evening by the Memorial Church of God in Christ Music Ministers' Ensemble. Sister E. Harriet Ballard (sister of Bishop O. T. Jones, Jr.) culminated the music with a beautiful, moving rendition of "To God Be The Glory."

The audience was held spell-bound as Elder Belgium Baxter of Harrisburg recited one of his inspirational poems.

The proceeds from this affair will go into the Church Assistance Fund for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Jurisdiction. This fund seeks to make available emergency short-term loans to the churches of the jurisdiction, especially to the newer and smaller churches.

I've just concluded a dry season and I'm glad its over. This past year has been one of the most eventful ones in my life. However, it left me feeling drained and listless, not even able to write, and that ability is my most cherished.

A journalism professor once gave me some sound advice, and that was to write no less than five hundred words per day. Not only was I unable to write five hundred words, but I had trouble even picking up my pen.

COGIC women, sometimes I feel we are the busiest ladies in the

world. Only through the strength of God are we able to execute our many duties and responsibilities which include our husbands, children, home, job and community. By all means we cannot forget our church activities. Do you realize how much territory that covers? Its no wonder we sometimes become drained and at a stand still.

The Lord began to deal with me about increasing my time of prayer and solitude as a remedy for the way I felt. After three days of fasting and prayer and an expansion of my daily desig-

nated quiet time for the Lord, I really feel great again. Praises to my wonderful Saviour.

Dr. Paul Cho, pastor of the world's largest church prays two hours in the morning and four hours in the evening. After reading that I thought of the COGIC cliché; NO PRAYER, NO POWER: MUCH PRAYER, MUCH POWER: MORE PRAYER, MORE POWER.

Once we have committed ourselves to spending quality time with God we develop an attentiveness to God's voice in us. Meditation begins with a time



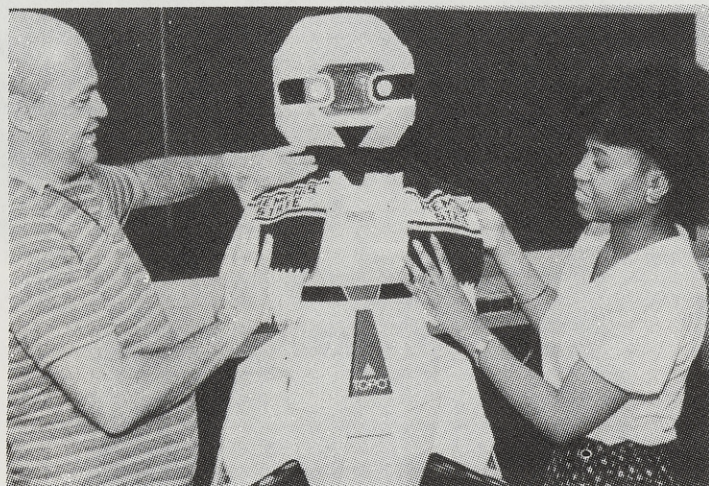
and place for God and HIM ALONE. Jesus said, (Matt. 6:6) but thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

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PORTIA KING-STUDENT ACHIEVER

by
Ed Webb



Dr. William Jermann, left, and Portia King place finishing touches on 'Topo' the robot.

It's doubtful that Portia King set out to be a "Wonder Woman," but her accomplishments are giving her that reputation these days.

The 20-year-old King is the youngest student ever to receive a master's degree in electrical engineering from MSU. Add to this the fact that King is a black woman, rare in engineering, and graduated with a perfect grade point average, and her accomplishment becomes even more notable.

"Portia had a 4.0 grade point average in the master's program, but she's much better than that," said Dr. William Jermann, MSU professor of electrical engineering. "She was really good on the modern abstract concepts and was clearly one of the best students in our program."

Dr. O. E. Wheeler, dean of the Herff College of Engineering, said, "Portia was an exceptionally hard-working, bright young lady, who achieved a remarkable level for a 20-year-old. She not only mastered the regular electrical engineering program, but learned additional computer languages as well.

"She was one of the most accomplished students ever to attend MSU on a minority engineering scholarship," Wheeler said.

King's interest in engineering began as a student at Treadwell High School. Treadwell is one of 15 schools in Memphis participating in the Southeast Consortium for Minorities in Engineering (SECME), a program sponsored by MSU's Herff College of Engineering and directed by Dr. Roger E. Nolte, professor of electrical engineering. King was one of the initial participants in SECME, and one of the first graduates produced by the program.

The purpose of SECME is to promote interest in engineering among minority high school students. It was Nolte who encouraged and aided King.

The program places engineering-related materials in the high schools to enable minority students to better prepare for the study of engineering. Although SECME provides no

scholarships, there are scholarships available through the National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering (NACME). At present, there are 25 students enrolled in the Herff College on NACME scholarships.

King, who attended undergraduate school on a NACME scholarship, attended graduate school on a Herff Fellowship.

As part of her responsibilities as a graduate assistant, she worked closely with Dr. Jermann installing the College's new AT&T computers. King also programmed a robot for Nolte in an advanced computer language to walk, talk and sing. She then used the robot in a program she presented to area high schools to stimulate interest in engineering.

After graduation in August, she began a high technology job in satellite communications with RCA of Memphis.

King, who attends the Homeland Church of God in Christ, attributes a great deal of her success at MSU to her faith in God and the support her family has provided. "I study and then I pray," she said. "I see it work for me all the time. I am just thankful unto God for allowing me to get this far, and I know He will continue to bless me."

King is the daughter of elementary school teacher Myldred King of 2171 Brown. The elder King taught her daughter in the first grade when Portia began school at the age of four. Her grandmother Portia Jones and brothers William and Mack King also live in the family's home on Brown.

She is a member of Tau Beta Phi engineering honor society, Gamma Beta Phi honor society, the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE), the Society of Minority Engineers and Technologists and the Society of Women Engineers.

"The only problem Portia had during her job interviews was that she just doesn't look as old as the typical person with a master's degree in engineering," Jermann said. "Employers expect to see someone much older."

AFRICA — ANOTHER VIEW

In the Book of Acts is the remarkable story of the first African convert of whom we have a record in the word.

Philip, the deacon, was preaching the saving Gospel of the Lord Jesus in the villages of the Samaritans when the angel of the Lord spoke to him. "Arise and go toward the south in the way that goeth down from Jerusalem until Gaza, which is desert."

I often wondered why God would take a preacher away from a successful ministry and send him to the desert to preach to this particular man. And then he reminded me of Luke 16:10 "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much and he that is unjust in least is unjust also in much."

God was so concerned about one soul that He took Philip from a city-wide Revival in Samaria, apparently with no regrets (Philip did not complain.) We read simply, that He arose and went and told him to connect himself with a eunuch; a royal Ethiopian official, sitting in his chariot, pouring over the word of God, and preached Christ unto him. Ethiopia of Africa, peopled by sons of Ham, and reached a high level of civilization in that first century, historians tell us.

And this was a man of great authority, in charge of all the treasures of the Queen of Ethiopia. Be that as it may, he was seeking in the word, the Way to God.

Philip, told him the good news concerning Jesus. After listening the eunuch declared "I believe that Jesus Christ is the son of God." Undoubtedly the eunuch relayed the gospel message to his own people in Africa.

It was no accident that the two had met that day on the Gaza road. It was because the spirit of the Lord was leading Philip and because Philip followed obediently—even down a lonely road to one needy soul.

God is still using obedient Christians, like Philip, to lead lost souls to Himself. My sister (Evang. Carolyn Wallace of Syracuse, New York) and I followed the leading of the Lord and journeyed to West Africa during the month of March, not knowing exactly why, only knowing we had received the call to go.

Africa takes up nearly ONE-FOURTH of all the land area of the world. The mainland of our own United States could be placed FOUR TIMES within the area of Africa.

We soon discovered the majority of the people, Christian or non-Christian were steeped in and bound by ancient customs, traditions and rituals. There are tribal people living in filth and squalor; there are others who practice cleanliness. As strangers to that culture we could very easily have gone away with pity for their way of life but God had sent us there for a divine purpose...and yet I will show you a still more excellent way—one that is better by far and the highest of the all (love). I Cor. 12:3 (amplified). Paramount in importance are the millions of people in Africa, lost souls for whom Christ died. Many have assumed they are an ignorant people. Yet I seldom met an African who did not speak at least three languages. Because of their intelligence and willingness to learn and understand, every service was interrupted in two languages, English and their native "Yoruba" (common dialect in Lagos state).

The language barrier complicated our work in spreading the Gospel but we soon learned that it was a larger deception of the enemy, to keep us from performing the work God had sent us there to do...take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak. For it is not ye that speak, but the spirit of your Father which speaketh in you. St. Matt. 10:19-20.

We encountered many religions that prevail in Africa, Pagan or Animistic, Christians and Moslems. One young girl age 12 or 13 told of how she had been enslaved by witches (one being her mother) and had killed at least three women and ritualistically drank their blood. But after hearing the preaching of

BRONX MIRACLE

From: Missionary Bessie Felder
The Garden of Prayer Cathedral
Church of God in Christ
1874 Washington Avenue
Bronx, NY 10457
Bishop Wm. J. Robinson,
Founder and Pastor

Through a 4-year old little girl, God once again revealed Himself as a Miracle Worker. Praise His Holy Name.

Recently, I was suffering with painful growths on my body. The growths were increasing so rapidly—from a small pimple to the size of an aspirin in a month or so. They were lodged mainly on my right thigh. Sometimes the pain in my entire leg kept me awake at night. I didn't need the doctor to tell me that was a sign of big health problems.

One Sunday, during regular Morning Worship at The Garden of Prayer Cathedral in Bronx, NY, where Bishop Wm. J. Robinson is the pastor, I noticed that not only were the adults praising God, but over in a corner, I saw something that struck my attention—a very young child was also praising God. I saw two little hands constantly going up in the air and some seemingly uncontrollable bending, trembling and shaking of that tiny body. What an eye-capturing sight!

That day, little Olivia Lighty (name of little girl) was dressed in white (including hat) and for that time, looked like a little saint. After awhile, Olivia was

walking the aisles, the music stopped, the entire church became quiet, but the little girl kept going. Tears rolled down her cheeks as she made her way to the rostrum and laid out under the Power of God, made gestures to the ministers that only a spirit-filled mind could comprehend. The pastor, Bishop Robinson, picked her up, but as

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GOD IF FAITHFUL TO FAITHFUL MEN

by
Stan Gussow

God's people are fortunate in that God has made so many provisions for them. Among these provisions are His protection, and prosperity. He has proven His ability by bringing the Pentecostal Church of God in Christ safely through another year. By His grace they were able to celebrate their 16th anniversary recently.

The church is located on the island of St. Thomas in the United States Virgin Islands. There are many churches on the island but few can match this church for its spirit, style and vitality. Throughout the anniversary services the spiritual blessings flowed: joyful singing, sweet fellowship, and anointed preaching. Souls were saved, and many believers were filled with the Holy Spirit. The gifts of the Spirit were in operation: prophetic messages were delivered, and many people received physical healing. These and more are the blessings that were

experienced, and they were in abundance. God was truly present.

The meetings lasted an entire week. Superintendent Joseph W. Lewis wisely chose an exceptionally effective man of God as the speaker for all of the nightly services. The meetings were another demonstration of the value of this church as a Gospel Beacon to the community. They were not ordinary in any way. Not only was the local congregation affected but the public as well, to whom the meetings were open. Thus the ministry extends far beyond the walls of the building.

Since the church is accustomed to sharing their joy in these circumstances of celebration, delegations were present from several local churches as usual. This representation indicates the good relationship that the church enjoys with others of like faith. Several of the visiting ministers spoke of unity and working together, helping each

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sage he blew his saxophone and was accompanied by a Brother on guitar. The bishop is multi-talented and preached a God sent message likewise. His subject was, "When It Seems Like the Lord is Letting You Down." The next day, July 2, 1986, Dr. Charles E. Smith, the master teacher, delivered a message from Romans the 8th chapter. He preached, "Nay, In All Things We Are More Than Conquerors." That night in the coliseum, Mother Irene Oakley delighted the congregation with her ministry. Before the message we all praised God for her testimony of healing. Her subject was, "Spirit, Light, Love." She used a text found in Romans 15th chapter. After she brought the saints up, the Elder Robert Sanders from Chicago preached heaven down. His award winning soloist daughter sang the sermon hymn. The subject of his message was, "From Struggle to Strength." It was so good that he asked the chairman could he (Eld. Sanders) holler one more time. The man preached!

The following day would prove to be equally as good. Elder O. E. Meadows shared the Word of God. This son of Alabama opened the scripture to Isaiah 53. He asked the profound question, "Why Jesus?" The evening was highlighted with the preaching of our leader Bishop J. O. Patterson, Sr. Bishop Patterson was presented a check for \$50,000.00 from the UNAC family for the building of ASU. Bishop Patterson did his normally good job of uplifting the saints. His message was a challenge to our ideas of holiness and commitment to truth faith. This is a time of great concern for him as he is half way through the ASU rally schedule. The next morning was July 4, 1986. While America was celebrating liberty the saints were praising freely in Jesus. Jesus said, "the truth will make one free." Evangelist Deborah Thomas, Assistant International Chairlady brought a message from Matthew 13th chapter. Her subject was, "While Men Sleep." Her good news was to be ever alert. Following her, the saints were treated to the ministry of Elder Loren Mann. Elder Mann, a notable T.V. personality delivered a solid message. He overcame a failing sound system and raised his distinctive voice to powerful tones, while proclaiming, "The Path, from the Field to the Palace." He told the timeless story of David.

The Chairman preached on Friday night. This was a break from the traditional UNAC agenda and for the first time he enjoyed a full delegation. Before his message, Bishop Winbush played the role of administrator and announced new UNAC ministries. 1987 should find UNAC with increased activities for youth. A staff of counselors to support youth during the meeting will be created. These saints will be appropriately trained, dressed, and will walk the halls to provide direction and support. He announced a Willing Workers Club of 1000 persons.

These saints will be asked for \$100.00 to further UNAC's ministries. Evangelist Deborah Thomas was appointed chairperson. The Whole Truth will carry more news about this in the future. Elder O. T. Massey will conduct another youth ministry. He will conduct a Bible Bowl Competition. Next year local teams from around the nation will vie for the top position in Bible scholarship. The bishop thanked the UNAC Family, Bishop C. H. Brewer, Youth Department, Bishop C. W. Williams, Sunday School Department, Dr. E. L. Battles, Evangelist Department, Bishop C. L. Moody, Mission Department and Dr. Mattie Clark, Music Department for their support and fine work. Next he preached a great message, but not before his daughter Odessa sang. The message was taken from the book of Mark and the subject of "Half Answers For Whole Problems" was one of the bishop's fine moments. He really is a traditionalist when it comes to holiness-sanctification. He warned the church against solving today's problems with answers unworthy of the church's hertiage. In all things holiness is the key. Even to building ASU, those who express the cans over the canots will please God. He stress us to use God's blue print as God wants us to be master builders.

Saturday morning Elder Jerry Macklin preached a powerful message during the Sunday School hour. His thought, "Where Do We Go From Here?" was a message in church maturation. The Church has grown in ministry and continues in service to please God. During the Song Is Born, the Elder David Hall preached in the Evangelistic hour. He thanked Dr. Battles for the opportunity to quit work long enough to do what God called him to do. Need I say the message was great! The Topic was "It is time to Pray!" It has been said that Elder Hall used every bit of his time. Amen.

CONGRATULATIONS

Montgomery, Alabama was the host city for the Annual Skill Olympics. The skill events were held on April 26, 1986.

Bro. John Marcus West, received second place standing in the brick laying contest. Bro. Marcus was awarded a medallion and implements, from the state. Marcus attended Carver State Technical Trade School here in Mobile. Mr. Earl Roberson is President of the school. Mr. Lawrence Curtis is Dean and Mr. Walter Blunt is the Instructor.

Sis. Mia J. Neal and Sis. Kimberna M. Griggs are our graduating high school seniors. Both, Sis. Neal and Sis. Griggs are planning on continuing their education. May the spirit of Jesus Christ inspire each of you to excellence and enthusiasm in this effort. All of you have made your church family p-r-o-u-d! Our warmest congratulations to you.

First Church of God in Christ
Mobile, Alabama
Eld. John H. West, Pastor
Sis. Edwina Pope, Reporter

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the gospel and of the saving grace of Jesus Christ, she was set free. The many religious divisions-False cults and Pagan worship have gained much ground and all these forces contend for the souls of men in Africa.

Going to various countries like Africa as missionaries, living with the natives, eating their foods, understanding their culture and language, gives you a different perspective than that of the average visitor or tourist.

Once you have experienced begging, as a way of life and in many cases as the only resort for survival; it's a social malady, a big societal problem that needs to be taken care of with every effort and resource possible. It is humane to give alms to the needy, but it is more important to teach them to help themselves.

Even though we witnessed the power of the Holy Spirit, change the lives of hundreds, and break yokes of bondage and tradition that have had people bound for years, the work has only begun. My heart throbs for the countless thousands that have yet to hear the name of Jesus and experience the saving Power of His Blood.

The WORLD is hungry for the Living Bread, for an answer Jesus gave a key, "and I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw ALL MEN unto me." St. John 12:32

My sister and I praise God for yet another opportunity to serve and to help fulfill the great commission to go into all the world and preach the gospel.

"And this Gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." St. Matt. 24:14

Respectfully and Prayerfully Submitted,
Evangelist Matthew Barnes

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soon as he released her, she continued to walk and make gestures in the Spirit. There were very few dry eyes in the building, if any.

I felt the Spirit leading me to go up to the altar, I obeyed. Upon reaching the front, little Olivia got in front of me. As I knelt down, she placed her hands on my shoulders, looked into my eyes (her eyes looked like little balls of fire) and I fell prostate on the floor. I would never have done such a thing on my own.

That night when I went home, looked at my thigh, the growths had burned out. Sounds impossible you say? It's all true. You see that part of my skin had turned black as charcoal (not my normal color). Shortly after that, while I was bathing, the growths fell off, leaving my skin its normal color. I am totally healed.

Olivia Lighty is just a real little girl, but God chooses whomever He uses. He cares nothing for titles or how big man thinks himself to be. She is too young to feel big or swell-headed about this testimony, so GOD ALONE IS RECEIVING THE GLORY. Think about it Saints. We must come to God as little children.

Missionary Bessie Felder

GOD IS FAITHFUL TO FAITHFUL MEN

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other, in their brief remarks. It is good to see such a spirit of cooperation and concern among the brethren. The spirit and fellowship of the week-long meetings was very warm. The singing and the prayers made the presence of God feel so very real-it was as if one could reach out and touch the Lord.

On the opening day it rained, but the joy was not dampened. Those with small children put them on their laps in order to make room for those who were

standing outside. Some of these same children later offered their contribution to the festivities as the Sunshine Band ministered in song. In a celebration like this no one is left out. Even the little ones are able to perform and take part in their own way.

God honors commitment. The church attendance has grown considerably in this last year. It is interesting to note that at this same time in 1985, many of the visiting pastors expressed their expectation that God would bless the church greatly in the coming year. And it has come to pass as evidenced in the spiritual and physical growth of this congregation. Obviously hard work and sacrifice on the part of Pastor Lewis and his staff was necessary in order to realize these accomplishments. Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it, and so the Lord is surely a part of these undertakings.

The church has located some property on which to build new and larger facilities, in order to accomodate the growing congregation, and permit them to worship and labor more effectively and efficiently. If you would care to help this fine work, you may send your contributions for the Building Fund through the Missions Department in Memphis, Tennessee. Please earmark them for the Pentecostal Church of God in Christ, St. Thomas, USVI.

Respectfully submitted,
Stan Gussow, Reporter
by Joseph W. Lewis, pastor

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Left to Right, Bishop R. L. H. Winbush, Elder D. Hall and Ms. M. Peak

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the All Saints University within 1 year's time. Won't you please help us?"

Bishop J. O. Patterson, Sr.
UNAC-5, Houston Texas

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OBITUARY

Another soldier gone, to get a great reward. He fought the fight, and kept the faith, and He has gone home to God. Someday we will meet again, all our loved ones who have gone before. Someday we will reach that happy land, where parting will be no more.

On May 24, 1986 at 6:25 a.m. the death angel came and bore the bright spirit of Pastor James W. Booker, Sr. away to a land that

is free from sickness, sorrows, pain, and death. He departed this life at Baptist Medical Center in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Elder James Booker, Sr. was born November 20, 1917 to the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Booker at Fountain Hill, Arkansas. He was united in Holy Matrimony in 1935 to Sis. Lizzie Withers. To this union five children were born.

He was converted and filled with the Holy Ghost under the leadership of the late Elder Peterson where he served faithfully. In later years, he was appointed Assistant Pastor under the leadership of the late Supt. L. C. Cook. In 1974, he became pastor of Power House where he served faithfully until his death.

He was a loyal husband and devoted father. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Sis. Lizzie Booker; five sons, Elder Delton Booker, El Dorado, Ark.; Elder Charles Booker, Mr. Johnny Booker of Warren, Ark., Elder James W. Booker, Jr., Portland, Oregon; Elder Jerry Booker, Little Rock, Arkansas; twenty grandchildren; four great grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Frances Daniel, Warren, Arkansas, and Mrs. Earma Booker, New York; one brother, Mr. Robert Booker, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

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preached under such great anointing with such profoundness and clarity. Truly, everybody that attended our First Annual Holy Convocation from all over Southern California and other states could truly say like the disciple Peter upon the Mountain of Transfiguration, "It was good for us to be here." The Southern California Second Jurisdiction is making great progress and our prayer is that God will continue to bless our endeavors as we attempt to carry out the church's mandate of "Stewardship of Word, Wealth and World."

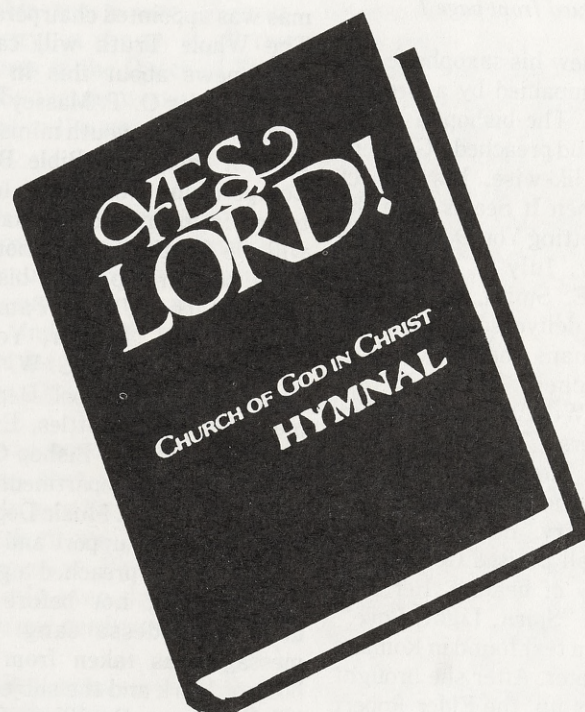
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